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SUBJECT: ACQUISITION OF SEIZED OPIUM FOR US MEDICINAL REQUIREMENTS

REF: STATE 252211

1. DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF CUSTOMS (DGC) IS HOLDING ABOUT 2.7 METRIC TONS OF ILLICIT CRUDE RAW OPIUM. NO INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ON ITS CONDITION AND ANHYDROUS MORPHINE ALKALOID CONTENT. RESPONSIBLE GVN OFFICIAL IS MINISTER OF FINANCE LE QUANG TRUONG, 128 HONG THAP TU, SAIGON, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.

2. MALLINCKRODT CHEMICAL WORKS IS NOW NEGOTIATING WITH MINISTRY OF FINANCE TO PURCHASE THIS OPIUM. DGC WILL BE ASKED TO HOLD OPIUM UNTIL SUFFICIENT QUANTITIES OF SEIZED MATERIALS (ABOUT 5,000 KG MINIMUM) CAN BE COMBINED TO MAKE AN ECONOMICALLY SIZED SHIPMENT. LEHMANN

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